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SUBJECT: GUITARISTS LISA HURLONG AND FLUTIST SYDNEY
GOLDSMITH

REF: LUXEMBOURG 0345

1. HURLONG AND GOLDSMITH APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S EFFORTS TO
ARRANGE PROGRAMMING. THEY WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO PLAY
WITH TAIPEI PHILHARMONIC, BUT TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS MAY
PROVE INSURMOUNTABLE FOR THAT DATE. THEIR CHARTER DEPARTS
MAY 23 FROM HONG KONG AT NOON. SINCE ADDITIONAL EXPENSE
INVOLVED IN ABANDONING RETURN CHARTER ALREADY PAID FOR
COULD AMOUNT TO \$1000-1400, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT ONLY
POSSIBILITY REMAINING WOULD BE FOR SPONSOR OR SPONSORS TO
PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FROM HONG KONG TO U.S., OR PROPOSE
TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS WHICH MIGHT WORK OUT IF CHARTER
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CARRIER WILLING TO PROVIDE REFUND SHOULD CURRENT ARRANGE-
MENTS BE CANCELLED. THIS KIND OF SOLUTION IS LIKELY TO BE
WHOLLY DEPENDENT ON SPONSOR'S CONNECTION WITH CHINA AIR
LINES, IF ANY, BUT IT MIGHT BE WORTH CHECKING. GOLDSMITH
ALSO CHECKING THROUGH CONTACTS ON THIS SIDE, AND, IF SOME-
THING WORKS OUT ON TRANSPORTATION, BOTH WOULD BE WILLING
TO EXTEND THEIR STAY SEVERAL DAYS TO ACCOMODATE POTENTIAL

SPONSORS.

2. IF ANY OF THE PROPOSALS FOR DOWN-ISLAND CONCERTS SHOULD WORK OUT, HURLONG AND GOLDSMITH WILL ACCEPT ANY ARRANGEMENTS EMBASSY DEEMS REASONABLE DURING MAY 16-22 PERIOD, AND WOULD BE WILLING TO PLAY IN LINCOLN CENTER GRATIS FOR OLD TIMES SAKE SHOULD OTHER CONCERTS COVER DIVERSIONARY TRAVEL, ETC., PER REFTEL. ANOTHER CONTACT WHO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE PAST IS LIN HO-MING, PINGTUNG TELEPHONE 24680, FORMER FSL.

3. SINCE GOLDSMITH AND HURLONG WILL BE ON EUROPEAN TOUR AS THIS IS DEVELOPING, PLEASE REPEAT TRAFFIC TO EMBASSIES LUXEMBOURG, BERN, AND MADRID WITH A REQUEST THAT THE MESSAGE BE PASSED SO THEY CAN RESPOND AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

4. GOLDSMITH WISHES TO BE REMEMBERED TO FRIENDS STILL AT EMBASSY, AND ASKED TO HAVE PERSONAL REGARDS TRANSMITTED TO AMBASSADOR UNGER. COOPER

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